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Lihu'e Airport Improvements

The State of Hawai'i Department of Transportation, Airports Division, is proposing various Lihu'e Airport improvements: reconfiguring the existing heliport; expanding the air cargo facility, public and employee parking, and fuel storage facilities; realigning and extending emergency vehicle access and perimeter roads and fencing; upgrading runway safety areas; constructing a new terminal exit road; and modifying the interior of the existing terminal building. The Department also proposes to acquire approximately 125-acres of adjacent land north of the airport to prevent incompatible future development. See page 13.

Ka'u Preserve Natural Area Partnership

The Department of Land and Natural Resources is seeking public comments on a draft environmental assessment for an application from The Nature Conservancy (TNC) for funding under the State's Natural Area Partnership program for management of qualified private lands that have been permanently dedicated to conservation. TNC is seeking an anticipated state contribution of twothirds of the management cost, consisting of \$752,168 for a six-year management plan with an overall budget of approximately \$1,128,252. The qualified private lands consist of TNC's 3,548 acre Ka'u preserve and involves four noncontiguous units: Kahilipali, Ki'oloku, Kaiholena, Keaiwa. These four units span twelve miles and range from 2,000 to 5,700 feet in elevation. See page 05 for more.

East Hawai'i Waste Reducation Technology Facility

The Hawai'i Department Environmental Management has submitted an EIS preparation notice for the Waste Reduction Technology Facility project. The facility is one component of an overall long-term solid waste management approach. It will address the problem of solid waste disposal as the South Hilo Sanitary Landfill nears capacity. The WRTF may be sited adjacent to the existing landfill (near the Hilo airport) or possibly elsewhere. The goal is to provide reliable, cost-effective waste disposal using commercially proven technologies, and maximize island self-sufficiency and sustainability by the beneficial utilization of waste through energy, soil amendments and/or reuse of materials. Alternatives examined in the EISPN include construction of another landfill in Hilo and off-island disposal. See page 11 for more.



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Draft Environmental Assessment

A project or action that may affect the environment cannot be implemented until an Environmental Assessment (EA) is prepared in accordance with Chapter 343, Hawai'i Revised Statutes (HRS). If the lead State or county agency (the proposing agency for agency actions, or the approving agency for applicant actions) anticipates that the project will have no significant environmental impact, then affected agencies, individuals, and organizations must be consulted and a Draft EA (DEA) is written and public notice is published in this periodic bulletin (see, section 343-3, HRS) known as the Environmental Notice. The public has 30 days to comment on the Draft EA from the date of the first notice.

Final Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact

After the lead agency reviews the public comments, if it determines that the project will have no significant effect on the environment, and then it will prepare a Final EA (FEA) and issue a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) formerly called a *Negative Declaration*. The Final EA must respond to all public comments. An Environmental Impact Statement will not be required and the project may now be implemented. The public has 30 days from the first notice of a FONSI in this periodic bulletin to ask a court to require the preparation of an EIS.

Final Environmental Assessment and Environmental Impact Statement Preparation Notice

When a lead agency decides that a project may have a significant environmental impact, an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) must be prepared prior to implementing the project. Like the DEA (see above), affected agencies, individuals and organizations must be consulted prior to preparation of the final EA (FEA) and issuance of a determination called an EIS preparation notice (EISPN). (The EA is called final, to distinguish it from the draft, above). After the FEA is written by the lead agency, and notice of the FEA and EISPN is published in the this periodic bulletin, any agency, group, or individual has 30 days from the first publication of the EISPN to request to become a consulted party and to make written comments regarding the environmental effects of the proposed action. The public (including an applicant) has 60 days from the first notice of an EISPN in this periodic bulletin to ask a court to not require the preparation of an EIS.

Draft Environmental Impact Statement

After receiving the comments on the FEA and EISPN (see *above*), the lead agency or private applicant must prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) prior to project implementation. This document must completely disclose the likely impacts of a project. Direct, indirect and cumulative impacts must be discussed along with measures proposed to mitigate them. The public has 45 days from the first publication date in this periodic bulletin to comment on a DEIS. The DEIS must respond to comments received during the FEA-EISPN comment period in a *point-by-point* manner.

Final Environmental Impact Statement

After considering all public comments filed during the DEIS stage, the agency or applicant must prepare a Final EIS (FEIS). The FEIS must respond in a *point-by-point* manner to all comments from the draft stage. Requisite deeper analyses must be included in the FEIS. For applicant projects, the approving agency is authorized to accept the FEIS. For agency project the Governor or the county mayor is the accepting authority. Only after the EIS is accepted may the project be implemented.

Acceptability

If the FEIS is accepted, the law requires that notice of this be published in this periodic bulletin. The public has 60 days from the date of first notice of acceptance to ask a court to vacate the acceptance of an EIS. In the case of applicant actions, the law requires that an approving agency must make a determination on acceptance within thirty-days of receipt of the FEIS or the FEIS is deemed accepted. Also, for applicant actions, the law provides for an administrative appeal of a non-acceptance to the Environmental Council.

National Environmental Policy Act

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requires federal projects to prepare an EA or EIS. It many ways it is similar to Hawai'i's law. Some projects require both a state (and county) and federal EIS and the public comment procedure should be coordinated. Although not required by law, the OEQC publishes NEPA notices in this periodic bulletin to help keep the public informed of important federal actions.

Conservation District

Any use of land in the State Conservation District requires a Conservation District Use Application (CDUA). These applications are reviewed and approved by the Board of Land and Natural Resources (BLNR). Members of the public may intervene in the permit process. Notice of these permit applications is published in this periodic bulletin.

Special Management Area

The Special Management Area (SMA) is along the coastlines of all our islands and development in this area is generally regulated by Chapter 205A, HRS and county ordinance. A special subset of the SMA that is regulated by Chapter 343, HRS is the Shoreline Setback Area. Most development in this area requires a Special Management Permit (SMP). This periodic bulletin posts notice of these SMP applications to encourage public input.

Shoreline Certifications

State law requires that Hawai'i shorelines be surveyed and certified when necessary to clearly establish the shoreline setback (an area contained between the certified shoreline and a prescribe distance inland (usually 40 feet) from the certified shoreline). The public may participate in the process to help assure accurate regulatory boundaries. Private land owners often petition to have their shoreline certified by the State surveyor prior to construction. This periodic bulletin publishes notice from the Department of Land and Natural Resources of both shoreline certification applicants and of final certifications or rejections.

Environmental Council

The Environmental Council is a fifteenmember citizen board appointed by the Governor to advise the State on environmental concerns. The council makes the rules that govern the Environmental Impact Statement process. The agendas of their regular meetings are published on the Internet at http://www.ehawaiigov.org/calendar and the public is invited to attend.

Exemption Lists

Government agencies must keep a list describing the minor activities they regularly perform that are declared exempt from the environmental review process. These lists are reviewed and approved by the Environmental Council. This periodic bulletin will publish an agency's draft exemption list for public comment prior to Council decision making, as well as notice of the Council's decision on the list.

Endangered Species

This periodic bulletin is required by Section 343-3(c), HRS, to publish notice of public comment periods or public hearings for habitat conservation plans (HCP), safe harbor agreements (SHA), or incidental take licenses (ITL) under the federal Endangered Species Act, as well as availability for public inspection of a proposed HCP or SHA, or a proposed ITL (as a part of an HCP or SHA).

O'ahu Notices

May 8, 2006

Plantation Town Apartments (HRS 343 FEA-FONSI)

District: 'Ewa

TMK: (1) 9-4-014:058 (por.)

Applicant: Plantation Town Apartments, LLC

1133 Waimanu St., Honolulu, HI 96814 Contact: Michael Kimura (592-0440)

Approving

Agency: Housing and Community Development Corpo-

ration of Hawai'i

677 Queen St., Ste. 330, Honolulu, HI 96814

Contact: Stanley Fujimoto (587-0541)

Consultant: Gerald Park Urban Planner

1221 Kapiolani Blvd., Ste. 211, Honolulu, HI

96814

Contact: Gerald Park (596-7484)

Status: Final environmental assessment (FEA) and

Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI).

Permits

Required: 201G Exemptions; Grubbing, Grading, & Stock-

piling; Building Permit, Electrical, Plumbing, Sidewalk/Driveway & Demolition Work; Excavate Right of Way, Sewer Connection, Certificate of Occupancy; Water & Water System Requirements; Street Usage Permit; Variance from Pollution Controls; NPDES Permits (Vari-

ous)

Plantation Town Apartments, LLC proposes to develop a

multi-family affordable residential housing project on State land situated in the town of Waipahu. The development would be part of the Kau'olu Project, a 22.5-acre mixed-use development of the State of Hawaii. The project site is identified as tax map key 9-4-017: 058.

Two 12-story rectangular shaped buildings (197'L X 57'W) will be sited on the western half of the site parallel with the property line. One hundred sixty five (165) residential units are planned for each structure.

Vehicle ingress and egress is proposed at four driveways—two on Paiwa Street and two on Kau'olu Place. Access to the Paiwa Apartments (the building nearest to Paiwa Street) will be taken from Paiwa Street. One driveway would access the gated resident parking lot and the other would access a drop off area at the building entry, visitor

parking lot, and loading zone at the rear of the building. The two driveways to the Kau'olu Apartments will serve the same functional purposes as that for the Paiwa Apartments.

Uncovered, at-grade parking for 386 resident vehicles is proposed. Resident parking is arrayed on the southern and eastern half of the lot where subsurface soil conditions preclude excessive building loads.

A private park of approximately 30,775 square feet, a 3,000 square feet recreation/meeting room, a tot lot, and a landscaped picnic area will be provided for residents.

The estimated development budget for the project is \$61.8 million and will be funded by Plantation Town Apartments LLC and participating banks. Construction will commence in the 3rd quarter of 2006 after all necessary permits and approvals are received. Project completion is projected 16 months after start-up. Resident occupancy is expected to commence in late 2007.





Approximate Location of the "Kau'olu Apartments in the Foreground.

Ka'u Preserve Natural Area Partnership (HRS 343 DEA)

District: Ka'u

TMK: (3) 9-7-001-002; 9-7-001-003; 9-7-001-004; 9-7-

001-007

Applicant: The Nature Conservancy

923 Nu'uanu Avenue, Honolulu, HI 96817

Contact: Laura Nelson (885-1786)

Approving

Agency: Dept. of Land & Natural Resources, Division

of Forestry & Wildlife

1151 Punchbowl, Rm. 325, Honolulu, HI 96813

Contact: Randy Kennedy (587-0054)

Public Comment

Deadline: June 7, 2006

Status: Draft environmental assessment (DEA) notice

pending 30-day public comment. Address comments to the applicant with copies to the approving agency, consultant and OEQC.

Permits

Required: BLNR approval

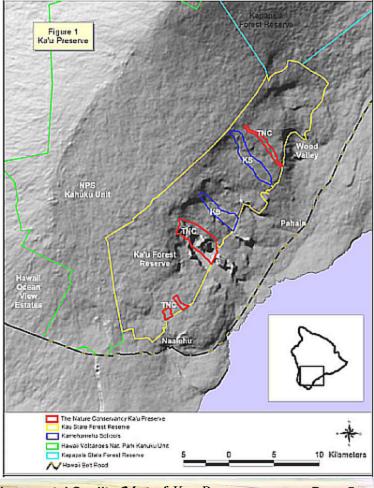
The Nature Conservancy is proposing to initiate a long-term management agreement with the Department of Land and Natural Reousrces, Division of Forestry and Wildlife, to manage the 3,548-acre Ka'u Preserve in the district of Ka'u, County of Hawai'i through the Natural Area Partnership Program (NAPP). NAPP is a state program that provides 2:1 matching funds for natural area protection efforts on private lands of Natural Area Reserve quality.

Ka'u Preserve, established in 2002, is located on the southeast flank of Mauna Loa volcano and is composed of four separate units adjacent to one of the largest areas of intact forest land in Hawai'i, the State's 68,500-acre Ka'u Forest Reserve. The Preserve was created to protect the significant biological diversity found within it. Ka'u is home to four native natural communities, 12 rare plants, and five endangered forest birds, and many native invertebrates.

Without proactive stewardship, the degradation of the area's natural resources may result in the reduction of native Hawaiian ecosystems and the extinction of the rare and endangered Hawaiian birds and plants of Ka'u. To guard against these possibilities, the proposed management for the next six years includes construction of strategic fencing, feral animal control, invasive weed control, rare species protection, community outreach, monitoring

and research. Anticipated positive impacts of the proposed project include protection of rare native species, decreased erosion, improved water quality within and below the preserve, and increased public awareness of Ka'u's natural resources.





May 8, 2006

Ka Hui Na Koa O Kawili - A Hawai'i Island Veteran's Memorial, Inc. Project (HRS 343 DEA)

District: South Hilo **TMK**: (3) 2-4-57:1 (por.)

Applicant: Hawai'i Island Veteran's Memorial, Inc.

c/o Yukie Ohashi Planning Consultant P.O. Box 786, Volcano, HI 96785 Contact: Bob Williams (964-5764)

Approving

Agency: County of Hawai'i Planning Department

101 Pauahi St., Ste. 3, Hilo, HI 96720

Contact: Esther Imamura (961-8288 ext. 257)

Consultant: Yukie Ohashi Planning Consultant

P.O. Box 786, Volcano, HI 96785 Contact: Yukie Ohashi (985-2222)

Public Comment

Deadline: June 7, 2006

Status: Draft environmental assessment (DEA) notice

pending 30-day public comment. Address comments to the applicant with copies to the applicant with t

proving agency, consultant and OEQC.

Permits

Required: Change of Zone, Plan Approval, Subdivision,

NPDES, Grading, Building

firm. The Multi-Purpose Facility will provide residential dining/socializing areas and meeting/conference and banquet facilities for veteran groups, and the community on a rental basis.

Access to the project will be from Kawili, Kapiolani, and Ululani Streets. Connections will be made to the existing municipal water and sewer lines and electrical and telecommunications lines within Kawili and Ululani Streets.

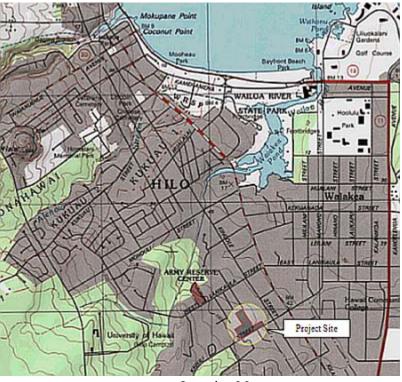
The EA also describes the disposition of an approximately ½ acre portion of the same parcel to the adjacent Hilo Meisho-in Church for parking during special events.



The HIVM Ka Hui Na Koa O Kawili project will enhance the lives of veterans, and active and reserve military personnel, and their families. The components of the project include a Combined Veteran's Center (CVC) office building, a multi-purpose facility, and affordable independent living senior housing units.

The HIVM project site is a 7.45-acre vacant lot owned by the State and transferred by Executive Order to the County of Hawai'i for the express purpose of developing the proposed project. HIVM leases the property from the County.

The CVC office building will allow co-location of several agencies and veteran service providers, including the US Department of Veterans Administration, the Disabled American Veterans, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and other related organizations to efficiently deliver needed services. The affordable housing component includes 96 to 110 independent-living apartment units for eligible seniors (62+) in three 4-story buildings. The units will be sold as lease-hold life estates with preference given to veterans and spouses of deceased veterans and will be operated by a licensed non-profit independent living management



Location Map

May 8, 2006

Honokaia Pastoral Lands Subdivision (HRS 343 FEA-FONSI)

District: Hamakua

TMK: (3) 4-6-11:03, 04, 11, 12, 13

Proposing

Agency: Department of Hawaiian Home Lands

P.O. Box 1879, Honolulu, HI 96805 Contact: Darrell Yagodich (586-3836)

Determination

Agency: Same as above.

Consultant: Oceanit

828 Fort St. Mall, 6th Flr., Honolulu, HI 96813

Contact: Jeff Merz (531-3017)

Status: Final environmental assessment (FEA) and

Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI).

Permits

Required: Subdivision Map w/possible Variance, Build-

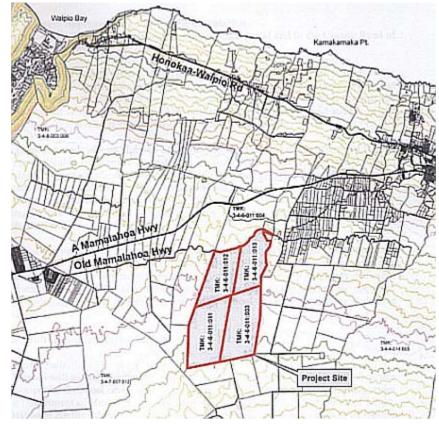
ing/Grading, NPDES Permit

The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands is in the ongoing process of providing land to native Hawaiians throughout Hawai'i, as part of its agency mandate. The subject area is pro-

posed to be subdivided into parcels of various sizes for leasing to native Hawaiians and homesteads and pastoral lots ranging in size from 10 to 285 acres. The number of parcels proposed is between 35 and 60 over the 2,500 acres. The number of parcels will not exceed the quantity currently permitted under the Ag-40 zoning. Agricultural roadways will be constructed per County standards for access to the new parcels and relief from the requirement for connection to the County water system will be sought through a variance as part of the subdivision.

The project area is on the mauka side of Old Mamalahoa Highway mauka of Hawai'i Belt Road (Highway 19) in the Hamakua District on the north side of the Island of Hawai'i. The property is located at an elevation of 2600 to 2800 ft. above sea level on the windward side of the Waimea Saddle (between Kohala and Mauna Kea). Presently, the study area is predominantly grassland, recently used for grazing of horses and cattle with an average of over 60 inches of rain a year, making catchments water systems viable.





General Site Location

May 8, 2006

Kaupakuea Homesteads Easement (HRS 343 FEA-FONSI)

District: South Hilo **TMK:** (3) 2-8-02:17 (por.)

Applicant: State Department of Land & Natural Resources

P.O. Box 936, Hilo, HI 96721 Contact Gordon Heit (974-6203)

Determination

Agency: same as above **Consultant**: Ms. Sheryl Fletcher

RR2, Box 4061, Pahoa, HI 96771 Contact: Sheryl Fletcher (965-7782)

Status: Final environmental assessment (FEA) and

Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI).

Permits

Required: Easement; Approval for Driveway Location;

Grading and Driveway Permit

The proposed project in South Hilo near Pepe'ekeo is for an easement over State Land to create access for 5 parcels. The county paved this section of the Kaupakuea Homestead Rd. extension a few years back, but did not provide access to the origi-

nal homestead road fronting the 5 parcels.

The proposed new section of driveway will be approximately 50 to 100 feet in length, twelve feet in width. The new work makes it necessary to cut into the existing driveway but will not impact the drainage ditch. The initial phase will include grading and clearing away of obstructive vegetation, while still preserving the existing land-scaping. When the driveway is completed, gravel will be placed on the roadway and only steep inclines will be paved to eliminate erosion.

The project will enable the owners of these 5 parcels access to their property. The short term impacts will be 1) movement of soil to level parts of the roadway 2) temporary noise from earthmoving equipment 3) possible toxic materials used in construction (i.e. asphalt or concrete) 4) minor displacement of native animals in the area. Long-term impact expected to be minimal with the increased vehicles traveling the roadway from the 5 parcels.





Homestead Road and Mauna Kea Agribusiness



Arc of Hilo Facilities Expansion (HRS 343 FEA-FONSI)

District: South Hilo
TMK: (3) 2-3-32:6, 7 & 8
Applicant: The Arc of Hilo

1099 Waianuenue Avenue, Hilo, HI 96720-2019

Contact: Glen Calvert (935-8535 ext. 211)

Approving

Agency: State Department of Human Services

601 Kamokila Blvd, Rm. 515, Kapolei, HI 96707

Contact: Guy Tagomori (692-7729)

Consultant: Geometrician Associates

HC 2, Box 9575, Kea'au, HI 96749 Contact: Ron Terry (982-5831)

Status: Final environmental assessment (FEA) and

Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI).

Permits

Required: Hawai'i County Building Division Approval,

Planning Department Plan Approval; Public Works Grubbing, Grading & Driveway Permits; NPDES; Underground Injection Control Per-

mit

that no significant historic sites or cultural resources are present; if archaeological resources are encountered during land-altering activities associated with construction, work in the immediate area of the discovery will be halted and the State Historic Preservation Division will be contacted. As sensitive noise receptors exist nearby, the contractor will be required to consult with the Department of Health permit for construction activities.

Project Site

acre in extent, the contractor will obtain an NPDES permit and

develop and implement a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan

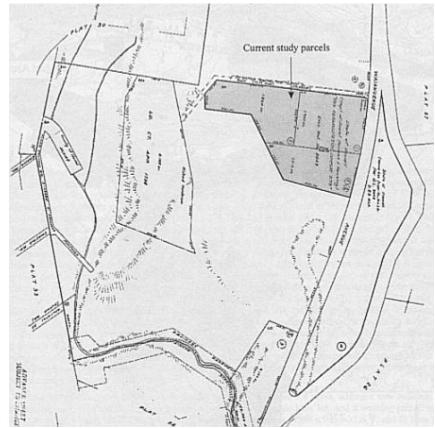
(SWPPP) to contain sediment and storm water runoff during con-

struction. Archaeological and cultural surveys have determined



The Arc of Hilo, a non-profit tax-exempt charitable organization, proposes to expand its existing facilities located on Wai'anuenue Avenue in Hilo, Hawai'i. Arc of Hilo serves to improve the quality of life for people with developmental and other disabilities on the island of Hawai'i through educational, vocational, and skill training as well as employment and residential opportunities. In the past four years, the Arc of Hilo has expanded its operations from an annual budget of \$1.5 million to over \$5 million, with a concurrent doubling in the number of clients served. This rapid expansion creates a strong and critical need for expanded facilities. The proposed project involves construction of a new 11,135-square foot Community Support Services (CSS) facility structure that will house offices, classrooms, and storage space; a 4,737square foot Auditorium/ Gymnasium; and an expanded parking lot with a new circulation plan and an additional driveway. The project will utilize more fully the current Arc of Hilo site that occupies 5.395 acres of leased State land in Pi'ihonua.

Minor traffic impacts from the proposed project can be mitigated through driveway left-turn restrictions. Because the site is greater than one



Portion of TMK: 3-2-3-32 showing the current study parcels (6, 7, and 8).

May 8, 2006

East Hawai'i Waste Reduction Technology Facility (HRS 343 FEA-EISPN)

District: South Hilo

TMK: (3) 2-1-013:various

Proposing

Agency: Hawai'i County, Department of Environmental

Management

25 Aupuni St., Rm. 210, Hilo, HI 96720 Contact: Barbara Bell (961-8083)

Accepting

Authority: Hawai'i County, Planning Department

101 Pau'ahi St., Ste. 3, Hilo, HI 96720

Contact: Brad Kurokawa (961-8288 ext. 200)

Consultant: Geometrician Associates

HC 2, Box 9575, Kea'au, HI 96749 Contact: Ron Terry (982-5831)

Status: Final environmental assessment (FEA) and

Environmental Impact Statement Preparation Notice (EISPN), pending 30-day public comment and requests to become a consulted party in the preparation of the upcoming draft environmental impact statement (DEIS). Address public comments on the FEA and/or requests to become a consulted party to the proposing agency with copies to the accepting authority,

consultant and OEQC.

Public Comment

Deadline: June 7, 2006

Permits

Required: Federal: FAA Air Space Review, State: NPDES,

Underground Injection Control, State Historic Preservation Division Chapter 6E Concurrence, Covered Source Permit, Solid Waste Management Permit, Clean Air Act Title 5 Covered Source Permit, County: Plan Approval, Subdivision Approval, Grading Permit, Building Per-

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As the South Hilo Sanitary Landfill approaches its design capacity, the County of Hawai'i needs to develop new options for the ultimate disposal of its municipal solid waste. The development of a waste reduction technology facility (WRTF) is one

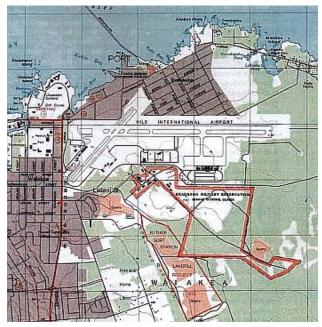


component of the overall long-term solid waste management approach identified by the County in the 2002 update to the Integrated Solid Waste Management Plan.

As currently envisioned the WRTF would be sited adjacent to the South Hilo Sanitary Landfill, although the actual location has not yet been set. The goals of the project are to provide reliable, cost-effective waste disposal using commercially proven technologies; to maximize island self-sufficiency and sustainability by the beneficial utilization of waste through energy, soil amendments and/or reused materials; and to minimize social and environmental impacts.

Various alternative forms that a waste reduction technology facility (WRTF) might take are discussed in detail in the EISPN, along with other long-term and interim alternative strategies for dealing with solid waste, including construction of another landfill in Hilo, off-island disposal, and No Action.

The EISPN offers an opportunity for interested parties, including individuals, neighborhood groups, trade organizations, environmental and cultural groups, non-profits, and government agencies, to get involved in the EIS process at a very early stage, before many aspects of the project have been fully conceptualized. The EISPN presents information on the physical and social environment at the presumed project site as well as the general Hilo area. It also outlines the studies that will be required at the EIS level.



South Hilo Landfill Vicinity

Kaua'i Notices

May 8, 2006

Kaua'i Lagoons Resort General Plan Amendment (HRS 343, FEA-FONSI)

District: Lihue

TMK: (4) 3-5-01:6, 27 (por.), 165, 168, 172 (por.), and

173

Proposing

Agency: County of Kaua'i Planning Department

4444 Rice St., Ste. 473, Lihue, HI 96766 Contact: Bryan Mamaclay (241-6677)

Determination

Agency: Same as above.

Consultant: Wilson Okamoto and Associates

1907 S Beretania St., Honolulu, HI 96813 Contact: Rodney Funakoshi (946-2277)

Status: Final environmental assessment (FEA) and

Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI).

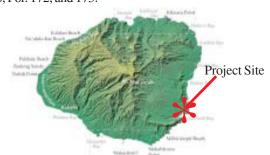
Permits

Required: Class IV Zoning Permit and others as neces-

sary (i.e. SMA Permit)

Kaua'i Lagoons LLC, KD Golf Ownership, and KD Kapule LLC (hereinafter "Applicant") is seeking a General Plan Amendment to amend the Kaua'i General Plan designation of approximately 190 acres from "Open" to "Resort". The Applicant is also concurrently seeking a State Land Use District Boundary Amendment to amend approximately 15 acres from Agricultural District to Urban District and a Zoning Amendment to amend approximately 81.7 acres from Open District (O) to Residential District (R-2) and Resort District (RR-20), and from Limited Industrial District (I-L) to Residential District (R-20) to allow a mix of single family residential lots, resort-residential condominium units, and multi-family residential units. The Zoning Amendment petition also includes an expansion of the existing Kaua'i Lagoons Resort and Kaua'i Marriott Visitor Destination Area boundaries to recognize additional land area that may be further occupied by resort-residential development.

The lands affected by the proposed changes are located in Lihue, Kaua'i immediately north and east of the Kaua'i Marriott resort facilities and further bounded by the Lihue Airport runway system immediately to the northwest and east further identified by Tax Map Keys: 3-5-01: Por. 27, 165, Por. 168, Por. 172, and 173.





Location Map

Kaua'i Notices

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Lihue Airport Improvements (HRS 343 EISPN)

District: Lihue

TMK: 3-5-01: 5, 6, 8, 9, 92, 109, 111, 128, 158, 159, and

160; and 3-7-02: por. 01

Proposing

Agency: State of Hawai'i Department of Transportation,

Airports Division, 400 Rodgers Blvd., Hono-

lulu, HI 96819

Contact: Steve Takashima (838-8810)

Accepting

Authority: Office of the Governor, c/o OEQC

235 S. Beretania St., #702, Honolulu, HI 96813

Consultant: Wilson Okamoto Corporation

1907 S Beretania St., Honolulu, HI 96826 Contact: Earl Matsukawa (946-2277)

Status: Final environmental assessment (FEA) and

Environmental Impact Statement Preparation Notice (EISPN), pending 30-day public comment and requests to become a consulted party in the preparation of the upcoming draft environmental impact statement (DEIS). Address public comments on the FEA and/or requests

to become a consulted party the proposing agency with copies to the accepting

authority, consultant and OEQC.

Comment

Deadline June 7, 2006 **Permits**

Required FAA Approval of Airport Layout Plan,

NPDES Stormwater Discharges, DOT-Highways Construction within State right-ofway, SMA Use Permit, Building Permit

The State of Hawai'i Department of Transportation, Airports Division, is proposing various Lihue Airport improvements and the acquisition of approximately 125 acres of land adjacent to the airport. The proposed improvements include reconfiguring the existing heliport approximately 200 feet to the north; expanding the air cargo facility, public and employee parking, and fuel storage facilities; realigning and extending emergency vehicle access/perimeter roads and fencing; upgrading runway safety areas; constructing a new terminal exit road; and modifying the interior of the existing terminal building.

Fee acquisition of approximately 125 acres of adjacent land north of the airport is proposed to prevent incompatible future development. About nine acres of this property will be used to reconfigure the existing heliport. The remaining approximately 116 acres will remain unimproved and reserved

for undetermined future airport facilities. The proposed acquisition comprises a portion of TMK: 3-7-02: 1, which is owned by Visionary, LLC dba Lihue Land Company.

The Draft EIS will include surveys of archaeology, cultural impact, botany, fauna, and hazardous materials. Noise and traffic studies will also be included. The proposed improvements are not anticipated to have substantial environmental impact.





Surrounding Land Uses

National Environmental Policy Act

May 8, 2006

Makua Implementation Plan, O'ahu, Hawai'i (NEPA-DEA)

District: Wai 'anae, Wai 'alua and 'Ewa

TMK: Various

Proposing

Agency: Department of the Army, US Army Garrison

Hawai'i, Directorate of Public Works

947 Wright Ave., Wheeler Army Airfield,

Schofield Barracks, HI 96857-5013

Contact Dale Kanehisa (656-2878 ext. 1036)

Public Comment

Deadline: June 7, 2006

Permits

Required: CDUA

The U.S. Army, Hawai'i has prepared a Programmatic Environmental Assessment (PEA) for its proposal to construct and maintain Hawaiian ecosystem management units in the Wai'anae and Ko'olau Mountains. The proposed action would implement natural resource management actions intended to control threats to 28 endangered plant species and one endangered snail specie with an end goal of achieving stable populations of these species. The natural resource management actions would include the construction of fences to protect native ecosystems and endangered species from the damaging effects of feral pigs, goats

and cattle. Implementation of the proposed action would also include management actions aimed at controlling alien plants, mammals, and invertebrates. Genetic collection of endangered species coupled with reintroduction and augmentation would also be used to help attain the long-term goal of species stabilization. The management actions would take place in State Natural Area Reserves, Board of Water Supply lands, Campbell Estate lands being protected by the Nature Conservancy; Army owned and leased lands, and other privately owned lands.

Based on the information compiled and analyzed during the preparation of the PEA, it has been concluded that the proposed construction and maintenance of Hawaiian ecosystem management units would not result in significant direct, indirect, or cumulative impacts on the quality of the man made or natural environment.

Copies of the PEA area available for review and can be obtained upon request by contacting Dale Kanehisa at 656-2878, ext. 1036. At the conclusion of the review period the Army will respond to any comments, and finalize and sign a Finding of No Significant Impact (FNSI), if appropriate.



This photo shows one of the project sites, the dry forest habitat that is protected within Kaluakauila Management Unit. Also shown in the foreground is the alien grass-dominated habitat which claims areas burned by wildfires.

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National Environmental Policy Act

May 8, 2006

Housing Privatization Phase II, Hickam AFB and Bellows AFS, Oahu (NEPA-DEIS)

District: Honolulu

Proposing

Agency: U.S. Air Force, 15 CES/CEV

75 H Street, Hickam AFB, HI 96853-5233

Contact: Ron Lanier (449-1584 ext. 238)

Consultant: Parsons

100 W Walnut St., Pasadena, CA 91124

Contact: Rosemarie Crisologo (800-883-7300

ext. 6048)

Public Comment

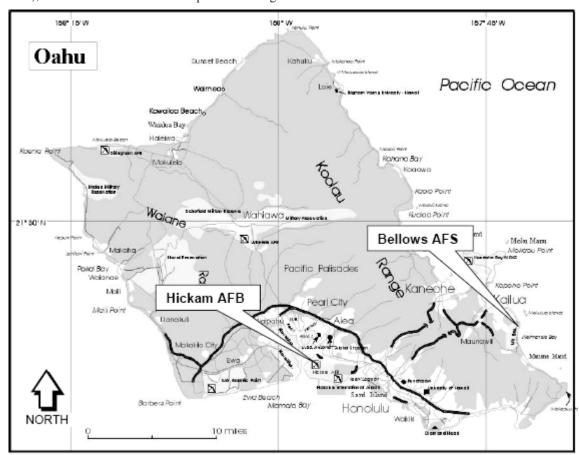
Deadline: June 7, 2006

The U.S. Air Force has prepared a Draft EIS that assesses the potential environmental impacts of privatization of the second phase of military family housing on Hickam Air Force Base (AFB) and Bellows Air Force Station (AFS), Oʻahu, Hawaiʻi. The Air Force proposes to transfer up to 1,330 housing units on Hickam AFB and Bellows AFS, and associated facilities (e.g. sidewalks and roads), to a Selected Offeror and implement a long-

term lease to the Selected Offeror for up to 361 acres of land. The Draft EIS evaluates three alternatives the No Action Alternative; privatization of remaining housing units on Hickam AFB and Bellows AFS to include housing units in the Fort Kamehameha Historic District (1,330 housing units); and, privatization of housing on Hickam AFB excluding 33 housing units at Fort Kamehameha.

A Notice of Availability of this Draft EIS can be found in the April 21, 2006 Federal Register at http://www.gpoaccess.gov/fr. A copy of the Draft EIS is available at: the Hawai'i State (Main) Library; Salt Lake/Moanalua Public Library; University of Hawai'i, Manoa Hamilton Library; and, Waimanalo Public & School Library. The Draft EIS is also available online at www.HickamHousingPvtz2.com.

The Air Force will conduct a Public Hearing from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, May 23, 2006, at the Ala Moana Hotel, 410 Atkinson Drive, Honolulu.



Location of Hickam AFB and Bellows AFS

Pollution Control Permit Applications

May 8, 2006

Department of Health Permits

The following three pages contain a list of some pollution control permits currently before the State Department of Health. For more information about any of the listed permits, please contact the appropriate branch or office of the Environmental Management Division at 919 Ala Moana Boulevard, Honolulu. Abbreviations are as follows: **CAB** - Clean Air Branch; **CD** - comments due; **CSP** - Covered Source Permit; **CWB** - Clean Water Branch; **I** - issued; **SHWB** - Solid and Hazardous Waste Branch; **SDWB** - Safe Drinking Water Branch; **N** - none; **NSP**-Noncovered Source Permit; **NPDES** - National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System under the Federal Clean Water Act; **R** - received; **T** - temporary; **UIC** - Underground Injection Control; **NA** - not applicable.

Clean Air Branch

Branch Permit Type	Applicant & Permit Number	Project Location	Pertinent Date	Proposed Use	
CAB, T-CSP	Parsons Construction, Inc. CSP 0609-01-CT	Initial Location: Kualapa Loop Road Extension, Kaʻanapali, Maui	Issued: 4/12/06	280 tph Jaw Crusher with a 300 hp Diesel Engine	
CAB, CSP	Chevron Products Co. CSP 0079-01-C (Renewal)	666 Kalaniana ole Avenue, Hilo, Hawai i	Comments Due: 5/24/06	Hilo Marketing Terminal	
CAB, CSP	Maui Pineapple Co., Ltd. CSP 0249-02-C (Significant Modification)	120 Kane Street, Kahului, Maui	Comments Due: 5/24/06	500 HP Boiler	
CAB, T-NSP	Koga Engineering & Construction, Inc. NSP 0617-01-NT	Initial Location: 1162 Mikole Street, Honolulu, Oʻahu	Issued: 4/19/06	400 tph Power Screen	

Solid Hazardous Waste Branch

Branch / Application Type	Applicant &	Facility Location	Pertinent Date	Proposed Activity
	Application Number			
(SHWB) Solid Waste Mgmt	Maui Disposal Co.,	Central Maui Landfill,	Application Rec'd	Recycling
Permit-by-Rule (New)	RY-0014-06	Pu'unene, HI	3/10/2006	(Redemption Center)
(SHWB) Solid Waste Mgmt	Garden Isle Disposal, Inc.,	Waimea Canyon Park,	Application Rec'd	Recycling Drop-Off
Permit-by-Rule (Renew)	RY-0015-06	Waimea, HI	3/15/2006	
(SHWB) Solid Waste Mgmt	Garden Isle Disposal, Inc.,	Ele'ele Shopping Center,	Application Rec'd	Recycling Drop-Off
Permit-by-Rule (Renew)	RY-0016-06	Ele'ele, HI	3/15/2006	
(SHWB) Solid Waste Mgmt	Garden Isle Disposal, Inc.,	Brennecke's Beach,	Application Rec'd	Recycling Drop-Off
Permit-by-Rule (Renew)	RY-0017-06	Koloa, HI	3/15/2006	
(SHWB) Solid Waste Mgmt	Garden Isle Disposal, Inc.,	KMart Parking Lot,	Application Rec'd	Recycling Drop-Off
Permit-by-Rule (Renew)	RY-0018-06	Lihue, HI	3/15/2006	
(SHWB) Solid Waste Mgmt	Garden Isle Disposal, Inc.,	Kojima Store,	Application Rec'd	Recycling Drop-Off
Permit-by-Rule (Renew)	RY-0019-06	Kapa'a, HI	3/15/2006	
(SHWB) Solid Waste Mgmt	Concrete Washout Systems of	86-70 Leihoku St.,	Application Rec'd	Recycling
Permit-by-Rule (New)	Hawai'i, Inc., RY-0020-06	Waiʻanae, HI	3/23/2006	
(SHWB) Solid Waste Mgmt	Reynolds Recycling, Inc.,	823 Olive Ave.,	Application Rec'd	Recycling
Permit-by-Rule (New)	RY-0021-06	Wahiawa, HI	3/21/2006	(Redemption Center)
(SHWB) Solid Waste Mgmt	Graphic Images Hawai'i,	78 E. Kaha'opea St.,	Application Rec'd	Recycling
Permit-by-Rule (New)	RY-0022-06	Hilo, HI	3/22/2006	
(SHWB) Solid Waste Mgmt	The ARC of Hilo, RY-0023-06	Honokaa Transfer Station,	Application Rec'd	Recycling
Permit-by-Rule (New)		Honoka'a, HI	3/21/2006	(Redemption Center)
(SHWB) Solid Waste Mgmt	Air Liquide America, L.P.,	91-163 Hanua St.,	Application Rec'd	Recycling
Permit-by-Rule (New)	RY-0024-06	Kapolei, HI	4/3/2006	
(SHWB) Solid Waste Mgmt	Aloha Shell Service Redemption	110 S. Pu'unene Ave.,	Application Rec'd	Recycling
Permit-by-Rule (New)	Center, RY-0025-06	Kahului, HI	4/12/2006	(Redemption Center)
(SHWB) Solid Waste Mgmt	Rolloffs Hawai'i, TF-0026-06	91-165 Kalaeloa Blvd.,	Application Rec'd	Transfer Station
Permit (Modify/Renew)		Kapolei, HI	4/24/2006	

Federal Consistency Reviews

The Hawai'i Coastal Zone Management (CZM) Program has received the following federal actions to review for consistency with the CZM objectives and policies in Chapter 205A, Hawai'i Revised Statutes. This public notice is being provided in accordance with section 306(d) (14) of the National Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended. For general information about CZM federal consistency please call John Nakagawa with the Hawai'i CZM Program at 587-2878. For neighboring islands use the following toll free numbers: Lana'i & Moloka'i: 468-4644 x72878, Kaua'i: 274-3141 x72878, Maui: 984-2400 x72878 or Hawai'i: 974-4000 x72878.

For specific information or questions about an action listed below please contact the CZM staff person identified for each action. Federally mandated deadlines require that comments be received by the date specified for each CZM consistency review and can be mailed to: Office of Planning, Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism, P.O. Box 2359, Honolulu, Hawai'i 96804. Or, fax comments to the Hawai'i CZM Program at 587-2899.

Federal Funding for Extension of Kapolei Parkway, North-South Road to Renton Road, 'Ewa, O'ahu

Applicant: City and County of Honolulu Department of

Design and Construction

R.M. Towill Corporation; Brian Takeda, 842-Agent:

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Federal Action: Federal Assistance

Federal Agency: Federal Highway Administration

Location: Kapolei Parkway, North-South Road to Renton

Road, 'Ewa, O'ahu

TMK: (1)9-1-17:69,75

CZM Contact: John Nakagawa, 587-2878

Proposed Action:

The City and County of Honolulu Department of Design and Construction is proposing to use federal funds from the Federal Highway Administration to construct a 0.7 mile section of the Kapolei Parkway, Phase 8B, connecting the planned North-South Road to Renton Road and southerly portions of the Kapolei Parkway. The proposed Kapolei Parkway extension includes three vehicular lanes in each direction, a median and sidewalks.

Comments Due: May 22, 2006



Special Management Area (SMA) Minor Permits

Pursuant to Hawai'i Revised Statute (HRS) 205A-30, the following is a list of SMA Minor permits that have been approved or are pending by the respective county/state agency. For more information about any of the listed permits, please contact the appropriate county/state Planning Department. City & County of Honolulu (523-4131); Hawai'i County (961-8288); Kaua'i County (241-6677); Maui County (270-7735); Kaka'ako Special Design District (587-2878).

SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA (SMA) MINOR PERMITS			
Location (TMK)	Description (File No.)	Applicant/Agent	
Honolulu: Maunalua (3-9-12-5)	Install equipment cabinet and antennas (2006/ SMA-18)	Clearwire LLC/Cascadia PM., LLC (Charles Fortner)	
Kauai: Poipu	Renovations, parking stalls & landscaping	SVO Pacific, Inc (Sheraton Kaua'i	
(2-8-15: 82 & 2-5-16:4)	(SMA(M) 2006-24)	Resort)	
Kauai: Nawiliwili (3-2-	Pipeline installation, construct improvements for ethanol-	Shell Oil Products US	
4:17, 18, 19, 27, 39 & 54)	blended gas (SMA(M) 2006-25)		
Hawaii: Puna (1-4-67:40)	Traffic, parking control & related improvements within	Vacationland Hawai'i Community	
	subdivision roadway (SMM 06-000029)	Association	
Hawaii: North Kona	Removal of 2 coco-palms (SMM 06-000028)	Keauhou Kona Surf & Racquet Club	
(7-8-13:3)			
Hawaii: Puna (1-5-59: 28)	Bed and Breakfast within existing Ohana dwelling (SMM 06-000027)	Patricia Fay & Mary Roblee	
Hawaii: Puna (1-4-69: 14)	After the fact clearing and landscaping (SMM 06-000026)	Dallas & Beverly Jackson	
Maui: Kihei (3-9-18-14)	2 lot subdivision (SM2 20050147)	Day, David	
Maui: Kihei	Road improvements (SM2 20060038)	County of Maui, DPWEM	
Maui: Kapalua (4-2-4-24)	Roadway repairs & improvements (SM2 20060039)	Weisel, Lance	
Maui: (3-8-7-40)	Maui Community College installation of emergency phones (SM2 20060041)	Excel Designs, Inc.	
Maui: Lahaina (4-7-1-17)	Underground wastewater system (SM2 20060042)	County of Maui, Dept of Parks &	
		Recreation	
Maui: Hana (2-1-20-50)	Install underground lines (SM2 20060043)	Betsill Brothers Construction Inc.	
Maui: Nahiku (1-2-3-16)	Install 9 utility poles (SM2 20060045)	Brandel, Stuart	

Shoreline Certification Applications

Pursuant to § 13-222-12, HAR the following shoreline certification applications are available for inspection at the DLNR District Land Offices on Kaua'i, Hawai'i and Maui and at Room 220, 1151 Punchbowl St., Honolulu, O'ahu (Tel: 587-0414). All comments shall be submitted in writing to the State Land Surveyor, 1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 210, Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813 and postmarked no later than fifteen (15) calendar days from the date of the public notice of the application. If there are any questions, please call Nick Vaccaro at (808) 587-0384.

File No.	Date	Location	Applicant/Owner	TMK
OA-252-2	4/28/06	Lot 372, Land Court Application 1052 (Map 7), land	Leaps and Boundaries, Inc./	8-4-10: 21
		situated at Makaha, Wai'anae, Island of O'ahu	Harrison Horn	
		Address: 84-081 Makau Street		
		Purpose: Building Permit		
OA-684-2	4/28/06	Lot 8 of the Kawailoa Beach Lots, land situated at	Walter P. Thompson/The	6-1-12: 25
		Kawailoa, Wai'alua, Island of O'ahu	Ka'ena Kai Clinic	
		Address: 61-349 Kamehameha Highway		
		Purpose: Building Permit		



Shoreline Certifications and Rejections

Pursuant to §§13-222-26, HAR the following shorelines have been proposed for certification or rejection by the DLNR. Any person or agency wishing to appeal a proposed shoreline certification or rejection shall file a notice of appeal in writing with the department no later than 20 calendar days from the date of the public notice of the proposed shoreline certification or rejection. The Notice of appeal shall be sent to the Board of Land and Natural Resources, 1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 220, Honolulu, Hawaiʻi 96813.

	File No. Proposed Location		Location	Applicant/Owner	TMK
	OA-1073	Proposed	Lot 14, land situated at He'eia, Ko'olaupoko,	Jaime Alimboyoguen/	4-6-07:
		Shoreline	Island of Oahu, Hawaiʻi	Clark Abbey	108
		Certification	Address: 46-037 Ipuka Street		
			Purpose: Building Setback		
1	HA-214-2	Proposed	Land Commission Award 8455-H, Apana 2,	Wes Thomas	8-1-04: 19
		Shoreline	land situated at Kanakau 1 and 2, South Kona,	Associates/ George	
		Certification	Island of Hawaiʻi, Hawaiʻi	Beard	
1			Address: None Assigned		
1			Purpose: Building Permit		
-	HA-127-2	Proposed	Lot 20 of the Kahalu'u Beach Lots, land	Wes Thomas	7-8-14: 77
A		Shoreline	situated at Kahalu'u, North Kona, Island of	Associates/ Richard	
		Certification	Hawaiʻi, Hawaiʻi	Applebaum	
1			Address: 78-6634 Ali'i Drive		
			Purpose: Determine Setback		
	HA-319	Proposed	Lot 1 of Land Court Application 1596 (Map 1),	Wes Thomas	7-5-19: 20
		Shoreline	land situated at Kahului 1 st , North Kona, Island	Associates/ Dr. Glen	
3		Certification	of Hawaiʻi, Hawaiʻi	Goodman	
			Address: 75-5956 Ali'i Drive		
			Purpose: Building Permit		
V	KA-197	Proposed	Lot 206 of Land Court Application 956, land	Esaki Surveying and	2-8-15: 75
٧		Shoreline	situated at Koloa, Island of Kaua'i, Hawai'i	Mapping, Inc./Po'ipu	
		Certification	Address: Vacant	Beach Villas LLC	
			Purpose: Building Permit		
	MA-334	Proposed	Lot 3, Olowalu Makai-Komohana Subdivision,	R.T Tanaka Engineers,	4-8-03: 05
		Shoreline	land situated at Olowalu, Lahaina, Island of	Inc./Laird Family Trust	portion
		Certification	Maui, Hawaiʻi		
			Address: Honoapi ilani Highway		
-			Purpose: Determine Setback		

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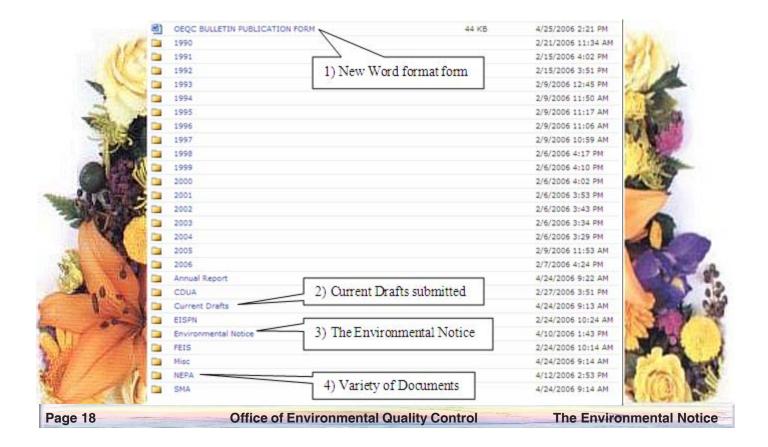
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Other Document types located on the OEQC Document Site

In our quest to give you the most information possible, we are always trying to add other document types onto our current library site. If you want something added to the site and we can accommodate you we will try to get it online. Document scanning is an ongoing project and we hope to have more files online soon. If you are submitting your project and can submit it in pdf format it would assist us in this goal.

Below we give some examples of things we have added besides the EAs and EISs.

- 1. We have an additional Word format Publication Form that looks a little different from the existing posted one. It asks for more contact information so that we can work with the consultants and approving/determining agencies on reviewing a proof sheet prior to finalization in *The Environmental Notice*. **NOTE:** Please try the form and give us your comment(s) as to which you prefer.
- 2. When a Draft project is submitted in pdf format, we will place it in the current drafts folder so that agencies and consultants can refer the public or requestors to this site to review their project online. This eliminates postage and time delays in getting drafts out in time for the comment periods. Contact OEQC for website instructions.
- 3. Recently the state had a problem with the OEQC website and *The Environmental Notices* were not posted till after the 8th and the 23rd of last month. To eliminate any delays we have put *The Environmental Notice* on the document library site as a backup so that it can be accessible at either site.
- 4. OEQC has received numerous requests for documents other than Environmental Assessments or Environmental Impact Statement documents. To assist these requests we have started to place other documents that are submitted in pdf format, such as NEPA, SMA, CDUA and EISPN.



Environmental Council Notices

May 8, 2006

May 10, 2006, Meetings at Various Times in Leiopapa A Kamehameha

The Environmental Council of the Department of Health and its various standing committees are scheduled to meet on Wednesday, May 10, 2006, at various times and in various rooms in Leiopapa A Kamehameha, located at 235 South Beretania Street, Honolulu, Oʻahu. For more information, please call the Office of Environmental Quality Control at (808) 586-4185. To be placed on an electronic mail notification list of Environmental Council meetings, please send an electronic mail to Mr. Leslie Segundo, Environmental Health Specialist, Office of Environmental Quality Control at ehs001oeqc@doh.hawaii.gov. The meeting notices and agenda of the Environmental Council are also available on the State's *Calendar Meeting Announcements* Internet Website at the following Uniform Resource Locator (URL):

http://www.ehawaiigov.org/serv/eventcal?PF=hic&Clist=81&_action=View+Calendar.



Measures to End Bottomfish Overfishing in the Hawai'i Archipelago

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) announces three public hearings on the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (DSEIS), Bottomfish and Seamount Groundfish Fisheries of the Western Pacific Region, Measures to End Bottomfish Overfishing in the Hawai'i Archipelago. The proposed Federal action in the DSEIS is the approval of an amendment to end overfishing of Hawai'i's archipelagic bottomfish multi-species stock complex by the Secretary of Commerce and the implementation and enforcement of the amendment's regulatory measures by NMFS. The proposed Federal action in the DSEIS would be the implementation of a seasonal closure between May 1 and August 31 prohibiting the targeting, possession, landing, or selling of any of Hawai'i's Deep 7 bottomfish species. However, if the State of Hawai'i does not commit to promulgate seasonal closure regulations, the proposed Federal action would be the implementation of a closure of Middle and Penguin Banks to the targeting, possession, landing, or selling of any of Hawai'i's Deep 7 bottomfish species from Middle and Penguin Banks. All attendees wishing to comment during the public hearing must register during the registration period for the hearing.

Hearing Dates, Times and Locations of Public Hearings: (1) Maui, HI—Thursday, May 18, 2006, from 7-9 p.m., at the Maui Beach Hotel, 170 Ka'ahumanu Avenue, Kahului, HI 96732; (2) Kaua'i, HI—Monday, May 22, 2006, from 7-9 p.m., at the Chiefess Kamakahelei Middle School, 4431 Nuhou St, Lihue, HI 96766; and (3) Honolulu, HI—Thursday, May 25, 2006, from 7-9 p.m. at the Ala Moana Hotel, 410 Atkinson Drive, Honolulu, O'ahu. These hearings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Keith Schultz, 808-944-2276, at least five (5) business days prior to the meeting date. [from The Federal Register: May 1, 2006]



NMFS 2006 List of Fisheries

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) is publishing the proposed List of Fisheries (LOF) for 2006, as required by the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA). The proposed LOF for 2006 reflects new information on interactions between commercial fisheries and marine mammals. NMFS must categorize each commercial fishery on the LOF into one of three categories under the MMPA based upon the level of serious injury and mortality of marine mammals that occurs incidental to each fishery. The categorization of a fishery in the LOF determines whether participants in that fishery are subject to certain provisions of the MMPA, such as registration, observer coverage, and take reduction plan requirements.

Comments must be received by May 24, 2006. Send comments to Chief, Marine Mammal Conservation Division, Attn: List of Fisheries, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Comments may also be sent via email to 2006LOF.comments@noaa.gov or to the Federal eRulemaking portal: http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/eaving.cgi?from=leavingFR.html&log=linklog&to=http://www.regulations.gov (follow instructions for submitting comments). [From the Federal Register, April 24, 2006]